

Message Text

PAGE 01 TAIPEI 02995 020218Z

61
ACTION EA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 PA-02

USIA-15 PRS-01 SP-02 /038 W
----- 010593

R 300411Z MAY 75
FM AMEMBASSY TAIPEI
TO USIA WASHDC
INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 5337
AMEMBASSY TOKYO
AMCONSUL HONG KONG
USLO PEKING

UNCLAS TAIPEI 2995

USIAC

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PFOR, TW
SUBJ: MEDIA REACTION REPORT

FOR IOP/M, IEA

1. FOLLOWING IS COMPLETE TEXT OF EDITORIAL IN MAY 29
ENGLISH LANGUAGE CHINA NEWS TITLED: "A WORF FOR VOA":

2. (BEGIN TEXT) AS A SOMETIMES CRITIC OF THE VOICE OF
AMERICA, WE'D LIKE TO SAY A WORD IN ITS DEFENSE.

3. CONGRESS PERSONS (IT SOUNDS AWFUL BUT ONE IS BELLA
ABZUG) RECENTLY JUMPED ALL OVER VOA FOR REPORTING WITH
A U.S. BIAS.

4. WHAT ELSE? VOA IS THE AMERICAN RADIO PROPAGANDA
OUTLET OVERSEAS. IT IS UNREASONABLE TO EXPECT THAT VOA
WILL BITE ITS MASTER'S HAND.

5. VOA'S OBJECTIVITY COMPARES FAVORABLY WITH THAT OF OTHER
GOVERNMENT BROADCAST SERVICES--NOT EXCEPTING THE
UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 TAIPEI 02995 020218Z

REDOUBTABLE BBC. IMAGINE BBC SAYING SOMETHING NASTY
ABOUT QUEEN ELIZABETH.

6. PRIVATELY OWNED BROADCAST SERVICES ALSO HAVE THEIR

PREJUDICES. DOES A LISTENER ABROAD GET A MORE TRUTHFUL REPORT ABOUT U.S. AFFAIRS FROM CBS, NVC OR ABC? HE'LL HEAR MORE CRITICISM OF THE GOVERNMENT. WHETHER THIS REPRESENTS OBJECTIVITY IS ANOTHER MATTER. VOA IS SURELY ENTITLED TO REPRESENT THE GOVERNMENT'S POINT OF VIEW -- NOT THAT A REASONABLE BALANCE WOULD NOT BE WELCOME. (END TEXT). CLARKE

UNCLASSIFIED

<< END OF DOCUMENT >>

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 26 AUG 1999
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: INFORMATION MEDIA, PUBLIC ATTITUDES, RADIO BROADCASTING, REPORTS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 30 MAY 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975TAIPEI02995
Document Source: ADS
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: n/a
Film Number: D750191-0743
From: TAIPEI
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t197505100/baaaadsm.tel
Line Count: 64
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, TEXT ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EA
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: CunninFX
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 16 SEP 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <16 Sep 2003 by MorefiRH>; APPROVED <26 JAN 2004 by CunninFX>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: N/A
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: <DBA CORRECTED> jms 971016
Subject: n/a
TAGS: PFOR, TW, VOA
To: USIA INFO STATE
TOKYO
HONG KONG
PEKING
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006

